

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

- Met with various direct reports.
- Along with several members of the City Council, attended the Unity Breakfast in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as well as the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Convocation at Beloit College. Both events offered very interesting and enlightening speakers.
- Due to the weather, the City Council President decided to cancel the Beloit City Council meeting this past Monday. The contents of the agenda will be included in the next scheduled Council meeting on February 4th.
- Attended the Beloit Rotary meeting and gave the invocation.
- Participated in an emergency Table Top exercise with members of the private sector and department/division heads.

BELOIT PARKS AND RECREATION HOSTS WINTERFEST 2019

Please note the following weather related cancellations:

The City of Beloit Parks and Recreation Division will hold the annual Winterfest celebration on January 25 - 27, 2019. Due to the prediction of frigid weather, some activities have been cancelled:

- Friday, Jan. 25: Luminary Riverside Walk at the Riverside Lagoon - CANCELLED
- Saturday, Jan. 26: Hiking and s'mores at Nature at the Confluence - CANCELLED
- Sunday, Jan. 27: Horse drawn sleigh rides at Big Hill Park, candle making at the Welty Center in Big Hill Park - CANCELLED

Despite the disappointment we feel at cancelling the above activities, we consider it is in the best interest of the community and staff. There are plenty of other fun, indoor activities to participate in - see [partial](#) list below and [attached](#) brochure for times and locations.

- Friday, Jan. 25: Free Family Movie at Rotary River Center: *Christopher Robin*. Bring a blanket, a parent, a snack and your bear! Hot chocolate will be provided at no cost.
- Friday, Jan. 25: Open Skate with DJ, Edwards Ice Arena. Regular admission fees apply. Bring a non-perishable food item donation and receive one FREE skate rental.
- Saturday, Jan. 26: Family Gymnastics at Stateline Family YMCA. \$
- Saturday, Jan. 26: Crafts and Fun and Beloit Public Library
- Sunday, Jan. 27: Euchre Tournament, Krueger Haskell Golf Club
- Sunday, Jan. 27: Open Skate, Edwards Ice Arena

Many other events are being held during Winterfest. Visit <https://www.beloitrecreation.com/beloit-winterfest/> for a full schedule of events, admission fees, and any pre-registration requirements.

PROTECT YOUR PIPES

The forecast this weekend is for frigid temperatures. The City of Beloit Water Utility offers these winter maintenance tips:

- **Check the temperature of your water.** Normal groundwater temperatures are typically in the upper 40's and lower 50's, so check the water temperature in your homes and businesses. To do so, use a simple digital thermometer and place in a cup of tap water. If it's close to 32 degrees F, you should take action to prevent freezing.
- **Prevent freezing of service lateral by keeping water moving.** During a prolonged, severe cold snap, you may want to consider letting your water run continuously if you live or do business in an area that is susceptible to freezing, such as a dead-end street or cul-de-sac. A pencil-wide stream is typically sufficient to prevent freezing, or simply run water on a frequent basis throughout the day and night to minimize risk of freezing.
- **Check heating components.** Maintain furnaces to make sure they're operating correctly and replace filters regularly.
- **Be careful when thawing frozen pipes.** For exposed pipes in buildings you can use a simple hair dryer. For underground metal pipes, it's best to call a professional.
- **Check empty and vacant buildings.** A great deal of frost or condensation on windows may indicate that a heating system has failed and water may be running due to frozen and broken pipes. If you plan to be away for any length of time, have a friend or neighbor run water for you.

WARMING SHELTERS

The National Weather Service is predicting the probability of more snow Sunday night through Monday night, to be followed by dangerously cold temperatures next week. Some cold weather tips and warming shelters:

- Dress in layers if you need to go out
- Check on elderly neighbors
- Create an emergency supply kit for the car (jumper cables, sand, flashlight, warm clothes, blanket, keep the tank full)
- Learn the signs of, and basic treatments for, frostbite and hypothermia
- Don't attempt to heat your home with a gas stovetop or oven.
- Take care of your pets...if it's too cold for you, it's too cold for your pet. Wash and dry pet's feet following walks.

- **Beloit Grinnell Senior Center**

631 Bluff Street
608-364-2875
Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

- **Beloit Public Library**

605 Eclipse Blvd.
608-364-2905
Monday - Thursday, 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Friday - Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

- **Salvation Army**

628 Broad Street
608-365-6572
Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

- **The Sparrows Nest**

1816 Harrison Ave.
608-362-8215
Monday - Sunday, After 5:00 p.m. only

SIGN UP FOR SNOW EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

The City of Beloit offers a FREE service to alert residents about snow emergencies via email or text. [Sign up today](#) to get notifications! Snow emergency notifications will be posted on the City's website and on the Beloit Public Works' Facebook page at www.facebook.com/beloitpublicworks.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR — JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 1, 2019

- Monday, January 28 1:30 p.m. [Traffic Review Committee](#), 2400 Springbrook (S. Blakeley)
- Monday, January 28 5:30 p.m. [Police and Fire Commission](#), City Hall Forum

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

This is just a sample of events coming up in Beloit. A more complete listing is available on the Visit Beloit website: www.visitbeloit.com

- January 25 - 27 **2019 Beloit Winterfest.** Various activities all weekend. For more information: <https://www.beloitrecreation.com/beloit-winterfest/>
- February 22 - March 3 **Beloit International Film Festival.** For more information: <https://beloitfilmfest.org/>
Volunteers needed! See the website for more information on volunteering. All volunteer Ambassadors receive free entrance to four films (non-transferable) as a thank you for volunteering.
- February 23 1:00 - 3:00 pm **Siberian Outpost Adventure - Dog Sled Demo:** Leeson Park, 2200 Milwaukee Road. Unique and educational event. Visit with a dog sled team of dogs and their "musher" Jim Feyen, from Jim's Siberian Outpost. Learn about the sport of dog sledding. Brought to you by the City of Beloit Parks and Recreation Division. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation office at 608-364-2890. FREE event!



2019 Beloit Winterfest

Friday, January 25, 2019



BINGO Grinnell Senior Center 1:00 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.
~~Luminary Riverside Walk at Lagoon 6:00 pm~~ **Cancelled**
Free Kids Movie at Rotary River Center 6:30 pm
OPEN SKATE Edwards Ice Arena 7:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 26, 2019

Crafts & Fun
 Beloit Public Library
 10:00 a.m.—12 noon

Family Gymnastics
 YMCA Gymnastics Center
 Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Cancelled Due to Cold
Winter Walk About
At The Confluence
 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.



Open Skate
 Edwards Ice Arena
 2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Singles Round Robin
Pickleball Tournament
 Beloit Memorial High School
 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 27, 2019



Cancelled Due to Cold
Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides
 Big Hill Park 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Cancelled Due to Cold
Hot Chocolate & Candle Dipping
 Welty Environmental Center
 11:30 a.m. —1:30 p.m.

Euchre Tournament
 Krueger Haskell Golf Club House
 12:45 p.m.

Open Swim YMCA
 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

Open Skate
 Edwards Ice Arena
 2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

See back of flier for complete details on all Winterfest Events

Friday, January 25

Bingo

Grinnell Hall

631 Bluff Street phone 364-2875

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Celebrate Winterfest with bingo, prizes, snacks & fun! **FREE!**

Luminary Riverside Walk

Riverside Lagoon

1160 Riverside Drive

6:00 p.m.

Enjoy an illuminated evening stroll with friends and family around the lagoon walking path. **FREE.** Continuing throughout the evening on your own

Free Family Movie

Rotary River Center

1160 Riverside Drive

6:30 p.m.

We will be showing **Christopher Robin**. Bring your blanket, a parent, a snack and your bear! Hot Chocolate will be provided at no cost.

Open Skate with DJ

Edwards Ice Arena

2101 Cranston Road

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Bring a non-perishable food item donation and receive one **FREE** skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.

Saturday, January 26

Winterfest Fun

Beloit Public Library

605 Eclipse Blvd.

10:00 a.m. - 12 noon

A family event for all ages. Come celebrate Winterfest at the library! Participate in fun crafts and other winter activities.

FREE

Saturday, January 26

Family Gymnastics

Stateline Family YMCA

Gymnastics Center

1239 Huebbe Pkw, Beloit

Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Fun for the whole family! Balance on the high beam, climb a rope, jump in the above ground pit. All this and more as your family explores the possibilities. YMCA members just \$10.00 per family. Non members \$20.00. No registration needed.

Winter Walk About

The Confluence

306 Dickop in South Beloit

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Hike trails where the Turtle Creek meets the Rock River! Enjoy S'mores. **FREE!**

Open Skate

Edwards Ice Arena

2101 Cranston Road

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Bring a non-perishable food item donation & receive a **FREE** skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.

Singles Round Robin Pickleball Tournament

Beloit Memorial High School

1225 Fourth Street

2:30 p.m.

Check in begins at 2:30 p.m., play begins at 3:00 p.m. Cost is just \$20.00 and includes a box lunch from Firehouse Subs. Register at Eventbrite, or check out our website www.beloitrecreation.com for the registration form.

You can also register in person at The Parks and Rec Office, 2351 Springbrook Court Beloit

Sunday, January 27

Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides

Big Hill Park
1101 Big Hill Rd

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
FREE!

Dip Your Own Candle

Welly Environmental Center

Big Hill Park
1101 Big Hill Road

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate and make your own scented candle. Choose from a traditional wick or a pine cone!
FREE!

Euchre Tournament

Krueger Haskell Golf Club

1611 Hackett Street

12:45 p.m.

\$5.00 entry fee and quarter bumps. **Please pre-register by calling (608) 364-2890 ext. 3** no later than Wednesday, January 23rd

Open Swim YMCA

501 3rd Street

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

\$3.00/person or

\$10.00/Family of 4.

Youth must be accompanied by an adult.

Open Skate

Edwards Ice Arena

2101 Cranston Road

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Bring a non-perishable food item donation and receive a **FREE** skate rental. Regular admission fees apply

For more information on Winterfest, contact City of Beloit Parks & Rec Office



**PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA
TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE
Utilities and Engineering - 2400 Springbrook Ct, Beloit, WI
1:30 PM
Monday, January 28, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
 - 2.a. Consider approval of the Minutes from the August 27, 2018 Traffic Review Committee meeting
[Attachment](#)
3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
4. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - 4.a. 2019 Traffic Review Committee Calendar
[Attachment](#)
 - 4.b. Speeding on Burton Street
[Attachment](#)
5. ACTION ITEMS
 - 5.a. Ordinance to establish 4-way stop signs at Central/Emerson and Central/Chapin
[Attachment](#)
 - 5.b. Ordinance establishing terrace parking on Central Avenue adjacent to 1400 White Avenue.
[Attachment](#)
6. COMMITTEE ITEMS
 - 6.a. Milwaukee Road Update
7. COMMITTEE MEMBER PARTICIPATION
8. NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT
 - 8.a. Next meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2019.
9. ADJOURNMENT

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**PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA
POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION
City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511
5:30 PM
Monday, January 28, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. MINUTES
 - 2.a. Approval of the November 26, 2018 meeting minutes
[Attachment](#)
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. REPORTS
 - 4.a. Fire Department Report
 - i. Update on Fire Department Recruitment Policy
 - 4.b. Police Department Report
5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
6. CLOSED SESSION

The Commission may adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to §19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation of any public employee over whom the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, more specifically, to discuss the following matters. The Commission will reconvene into Open Session for possible action regarding the matters discussed in closed session.

 - 6.a. Police Department - Extension of probation for one Probationary Police Officer
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